



Memorandum

To:	Club Presidents, Club Directors of Surf Sports & Club Powercraft Operators
From:	Belinda Cooper - Competitions & Event Staging Coordinator
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Subject:	2024 Oakberry Acai NSW Country Championships – Powercraft Roster NOTE: Changes to Clubs required to bring IRBs

This Memo outlines information regarding the volunteer Powercraft Roster for the 2024 Oakberry Acai NSW Country Championships.

1 Personnel

Powercraft Drivers/Operators and crewpersons **must** fulfil the following requirements:

- **IRB Driver:** Be a current financial SLS member and hold a proficient Silver Medallion IRB Driver.
- **IRB Crewperson:** Be a current financial SLS member and hold a proficient IRB Crew Certificate.
- **Both IRB and RWC:** Be experienced in ALL levels of surf conditions and competent to deal in all surf conditions.

Note: Personnel are no longer required to be Core or Technical Official to be eligible to undertake powercraft safety duties, however it is still encouraged.

Clubs will be required to nominate volunteer names and contact information for IRB Drivers and Crew. The details are to be submitted via this survey monkey link – [Powercraft Personnel](#) by **Sunday 21 January, 2024 at 11.00pm.**

2 Compliance

This information will be audited via SurfGuard on **Monday 22 January, 2024.** Clubs who haven't submitted information via the survey monkey link may not have their entries accepted (see Surf Sports Manual Section 12.1 pg. 186).

To be clear, if your Club is rostered on, both an IRB driver and IRB crew are required to report for duty. It will be the responsibility of the Club to find a replacement crew should there be any crews affected by COVID-19.

Individuals reporting for Powercraft (IRB or RWC) Duties **must present** their SLSNSW issued Powercraft License card.

All IRB drivers and crew must wear an approved SLS lifejacket on duty. It is the responsibility of Clubs to ensure that your members completing shifts must bring their own lifejacket (or supplied by their own Club). Lifejackets will not be supplied by event organisers.

Given the length of shifts and exposure to weathers conditions we recommend and advise to dress to the conditions i.e. rash vest top, springsuit, wind jacket

All RWC Operators must bring their own SLS Lifejacket, Wetsuit and Helmet.

3 Further Information

The roster will only identify days and shifts. All rostered crews are to report to the compound, and water areas will be allocated based on the requirements of the carnival. For clarity, Clubs are not rostered to a specific water area.

In the event that competition is suspended IRB drivers and crew reporting for duty should be made aware that if the event continues again within their allocated shift time frame then they need to report back to the powercraft meeting point ASAP for duty.

Please note that a driver and crew cannot do consecutive shifts, i.e. Shift 1 & Shift 2. This is to ensure duty of care is provided to the driver and crew so please keep this in mind should clubs approach one another to swap shifts. However, where a club has been rostered for consecutive shifts clubs will be permitted to rotate across a group of three (3) drivers/crew across the consecutive shifts. This approach will require at least two (2) x drivers and/or two (2) driver/crew award members.

SLSNSW will also call for additional volunteers to operate the Rescue Water Craft (RWC).

4 IRB Equipment

All IRBs supplied must be registered with SLSNSW, have passed the 2023/24 Gear and Equipment Inspection process and be entered on SurfGuard. To ensure that equipment is in a safe and reliable working order for use at the Championships, please see the **IRB Hull and IRB Motor Compliance Inspection Forms (appendix 2)** as a guide.

Notes:

- IRBs should be brought to the IRB compound (Map TBC).
- If equipment, IRB or motor, is not in sound operational condition and considered safe for operations, the equipment **will not be accepted** and the Club may be forced to make other arrangements to be eligible to compete at the carnival.
- IRB's will only be scrutineered when they are fully assembled and inflated with floorboards in.
- To be clear, Class 3 (Cat Hulls) are not acceptable for Powercraft duties.
- All equipment is to be clearly marked with Club name: Fuel cells, motors, lifejackets, hulls & trailers
- IRB equipment such as the tube, paddle and rope does not need to be brought.

More information on scrutineering times to be provided soon.

5 Insurance

SLSNSW acknowledges and thanks the hard work of members during the Country Championships. This event cannot be delivered safely and efficiently without contribution from Clubs.

All volunteer hours for Powercraft can contribute to an individual's total Club water safety hours.

Members are only able to make a claim through WorkCover if the following applies:

- 1) The member is a current SLSNSW financial member.
- 2) While undertaking a genuine, authorised activity as a surf lifesaver and the member was not receiving remuneration or reward. The member must be performing the activity voluntarily and without obligation.

6 Summary

Clubs that fail to meet their requirements or attend rostered shifts at the Championships **will be suspended from competition until such a time that requirements are met.**

Should any club have any questions please contact the SLSNSW Surf Sports Team at countrychampionships@surflifesaving.com.au or call (02) 9471 8000.

7 Clubs required to bring IRB Equipment

Club	Equipment
Broulee Surfers	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Kiama	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Mollymook	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Gerringong	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Kiama Downs	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell
Shellharbour	IRB, Motor & Fuel Cell

8 Powercraft Roster – IRB

The Powercraft Roster is subject to change.

Friday 26 January 2024						
Shift 1: 0700 - 1100						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Cudgen Headland	Gerringong	Kiama	Byron Bay		Mollymook
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Woolgoolga	Broulee Surfers	Shellharbour	Narooma		
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Kiama Downs	Port Macquarie	Black Head	Sawtell	Coffs Harbour	TBC
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Tacking Point	Tathra	Yamba	Cudgen Headland		
Shift 3: 1400 - 1700						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Cudgen Headland	Gerringong	Kiama	Byron Bay	Shellharbour	Kiama Downs
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Woolgoolga	Broulee Surfers	Mollymook	Yamba		
Saturday 27 January 2024						
Shift 1: 0700 - 1100						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Gerringong	Cudgen Headland	Byron Bay	Kiama	Kiama Downs	Yamba
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Mollymook	Woolgoolga	Broulee Surfers	Black Head		
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Shellharbour	Coffs Harbour	Port Macquarie	Tacking Point	Lennox Head	TBC
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Sawtell	Yamba	Ballina	Cudgen Headland		
Shift 3: 1400 - 1700						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Gerringong	Cudgen Headland	Byron Bay			Kiama
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Mollymook	Woolgoolga	Broulee Surfers			
Sunday 28 January 2024						
Shift 1: 0700 - 1100						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Yamba	Byron Bay	Gerringong		Broulee Surfers	TBC
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Port Macquarie	Cudgen Headland	Black Head			
Shift 2: 1030 - 1430						
Club 1 (Driver & Crew)	Kiama	Mollymook	Shellharbour			Gerringong
Club 2 (Driver & Crew)	Kiama Downs	Sawtell	Woolgoolga			

Appendix 1 – Gear and Equipment Compliance

2024 Country Championships Hull Check List

Club Name

Date

Club Contact

Contact Details

Hull Details

Hull make and model 'Class 3 Not Accepted'

SR Number

Please circle the following:

Reason:

Hull Appearance: Clean Dirty

Safety Equipment removed: Pass Fail

Crewmen's' bow rope: Pass Fail

Crew and Driver handlers: Pass Fail

Lifeline ropes and eyelets: Pass Fail

Foot Straps: Pass Fail

Floor Board/ RIB Hull Condition: Pass Fail

4 x Side Lift Handles: Pass Fail

Front Lift Handle: Pass Fail

Pontoons &

Keel Holding Pressure: Pass Fail

Engine Safety Cable on Hull: Pass Fail

Visible Hull Wear: Pass Fail

Pre Use Hull Inspection: Pass Fail

Re – Inspection Date: Pass Fail

Hull Pick Up Inspection: Pass Fail

Is the Hull on pick up in the same condition as drop off? Yes No

Comments

Approved By

Approved by Club Contact

Mobile Number

Signature

Date

Comments

IRB Hull Inspection
(Mark any existing damage)



2024 Country Championships Engine and Fuel Cell Check List

Club Name _____

Date _____

Club Contact _____

Contact Details _____

Engine Details

Engine make and model: _____

Serial Number: _____

Please circle the following:

Engine Appearance:	Clean	Dirty
Engine Safety Cable on Engine:	Pass	Fail
Spark Plugs and Leads:	Pass	Fail
Choke Operation:	Pass	Fail
Throttle Operation:	Pass	Fail
Recoil Cord and Operation:	Pass	Fail
Engine Cowl Fitting Properly:	Pass	Fail
Prop Guard and 4 Blade Prop:	Pass	Fail
Fuel Cell/Hose & Fittings:	Pass	Fail
Engine Start and Run in Tank:	Pass	Fail
Visible Engine Wear:	Pass	Fail
Pre Use Engine Inspection:	Pass	Fail
Re – Inspection Date:	Pass	Fail
Engine Pick Up Inspection:	Pass	Fail
Is the Engine and Fuel Cell on pick up, in the same condition as drop off?	Yes	No

Reasons:

Make/Colour:

Comments _____

Approved By

Approved by Club Contact _____

Mobile Number _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Comments _____

IRB Motor Inspection
(Mark any existing damage)

